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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: JANUARY 16, 2008

DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY

DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JERBIC

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTIONS:

R-4-2008 - Discussion and possible action regarding a Resolution Adopting an Amended Fee Schedule for Emergency Medical Transportation Services Provided by the Department of Fire and Rescue – All Wards

Fiscal Impact

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No Impact

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Augmentation Required

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Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

This Resolution will adopt an amended fee schedule for emergency medical transportation services provided by the Department of Fire and Rescue. The amended schedule reflects increased costs, as well as fee amounts charged by other providers. The schedule reflects an increase of approximately 37%, to be effective February 1, 2008, and will authorize future adjustments in accordance with the Consumer Price Index for Medical Care Services. The increased fees will be comparable to those charged by other local public providers and will remain lower than those charged by private providers.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve this Resolution and authorize its execution on behalf of the City.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Resolution No. R-4-2008
2. Business Impact Statement

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve as recommended

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN,
GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None);
(Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

GREG GAMMON, Chief of the Las Vegas Fire and Rescue Department, explained that the Citizens Advisory Panel created in Summer 2007 put forth recommendations for the Fire

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Department. One of those recommendations was to consider eliminating the need for Council action to change ambulance fee rates, because it should occur automatically based on the Consumer Price Index. This would bring fees more in line with what private ambulances are charging for EMS care. The public will see no change in services.

COUNCILMAN REESE noted that the City's fees are so low that people are requesting its services rather than other providers. They should be increased to be on par with other providers.

